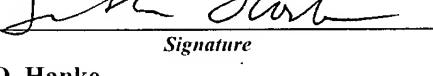


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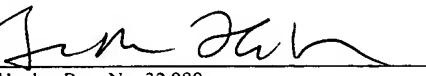
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action of June 25, 2004, the response for which is due September 25, 2004. Entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested.

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